

## SYNOD WILL HOLD ANNUAL SESSION

North Carolina Presbyterians to Meet With Goldsboro Church.

TO RICHMOND ON WEDNESDAY

Will Take Part in Centennial Celebration of Union Theological Seminary.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Goldsboro, N. C., October 12.—Convening in the First Presbyterian Church, Goldsboro, the Synod of North Carolina will begin the ninety-ninth annual session of that body on Tuesday morning. Synod has not been held in Goldsboro since the session of 1888, and only three times before, in 1862, 1864 and 1878.

Synod will be called to order at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning by the retiring moderator, Rev. W. R. Minter, of Lenoir. Mr. Minter will then preach the opening sermon, after which synod will be constituted with prayer and will be ready for the transaction of the business of this session. The business of the first day will consist largely of the election of the delegates, the election of moderator and temporary clerks for this session, the recognition of corresponding members, and the appointment of standing committees. A popular meeting in the interest of missions or some other great claim of the church, will be held Tuesday evening.

Wednesday the members of the synod will go to Richmond, on a special train, to take part in the centennial celebration of the Union Theological Seminary. Returning to Goldsboro on Thursday, the business sessions of the synod will be continued until Friday evening.

The territory of the Synod of North Carolina includes the entire State, and the synod is divided into eight presbyteries—Orange, Concord, Fayetteville, Wilmington, Mecklenburg, Albemarle, Asheville and King's Mountain. The membership of synod consists of all the Presbyterian ministers in the State and one ruling elder from each church.

During the session of the synod held in Charlotte last year a committee was appointed to consider the matter of a new division of the territory of the synod and making ten instead of eight presbyteries. It is believed that the new division will be preferable to the present, but in making the new division it will be necessary to take many things into consideration.

The last report of the synod shows there are in North Carolina 217 Presbyterian ministers, 465 churches, four licentiates, 127 candidates for the ministry and 45,966 members of the church. During last year there were 2,294 members added to the church on profession of faith, and 1,862 were added on certificate. There are 374 Sunday schools in the synod, 299 young people's societies, 219 women's societies.

Of the 217 ministers who are members of the synod, 136 are pastors, fifteen are evangelists, twenty-eight are stated supplies and nine are foreign missionaries. There are 368 Presbyterian churches in North Carolina that are supplied with pastors, fifty-seven churches that are vacant, and fifteen counties of the State have no Presbyterian churches within their bounds.

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erally to the various claims of the church than does the Presbyterian, and the following figures are interesting to a special degree in this connection: During last year the synod gave to foreign missions, \$11,920; to assembly's mission, \$9,078; to local home missions, \$47,896; to colored evangelization, \$2,866; to ministerial relief, \$2,578; to ministerial education, \$22,467; to schools and colleges, \$55,878; to orphan's homes, \$53,149; to publication and Sabbath school work, \$3,293; to Bible cause, \$1,103; to home and school, \$1,622; to church erection, \$3,244; to miscellaneous causes, \$27,364, making a total of \$274,722 for all causes for the year, exclusive of pastors' salaries.

It is probable that a number of the secretaries of the executive committees of the General Assembly will be present at Goldsboro and address the synod in the interest of the claims of the church which they represent.

The schools and colleges which are conducted under the direction of the synod will receive special consideration also, and the report from the educational institutions, including the Orphan's Home, are anticipated with special interest at every meeting of the synod.

One of the subjects which it is likely that the synod will consider at length, in addition to the stated items on the docket, will be the problem of the country church. There is much interest in the extension of the Presbyterian Church in the rural districts at this time, and it is probable that some facts and figures of interest and instructive value will be presented in this connection during the meeting of the synod in Goldsboro.

It is an interesting fact in connection with the Synod of North Carolina that a large number of churches and individuals in this synod are repre-

sented in the foreign mission fields of the Presbyterian Church because of the support they give the missionaries than is true of any other synod of the church.

### Northern Neck News.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lancaster, Va., October 12.—Miss Lummie D. McKenney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George R. McKenney, was married Wednesday evening to Lewis Lowry, of Richmond County. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. N. Hartness at the home of the bride's parents at Iberia, in the southern part of Lancaster.

Right Worshipful George W. Wright, of Marion, past grand master of Masons in Virginia, and now grand lecturer of the order, spent the past week in visiting the Masonic lodges in the counties of the Northern Neck, giving instruction in the work and lectures of the three symbolic degrees of ancient craft Masonry.

Captain Richard H. Haydon, one of the oldest seafaring men in the country, died recently at his home near Rehoboth Church, aged about ninety years. He had been from early youth a follower of the sea, and the desire to sail the briny deep never left him. Nearly all the tomato canning factories along the Rappahannock River closed for the season to-day. In spite of the long continued dry season the crop was a fair one, and the truckers realized good prices.

There was an interesting and exciting spelling match yesterday evening at the Wicomico High School, in which old and young participated.

Hand line fishing in the Rappahannock River and its tributaries has never been better at this time of the year. Some fishermen at Moratoc on the Rappahannock and at Merry Point on the Corrotoman have caught as many as 250 trout a day, some of them measuring nearly thirty inches in length and weighing from six to seven pounds.

## THE FARMER'S DOG HIS BEST FRIEND

Good Canines of Pure Breed Are Needed on the Virginia Farm.

BUT THE CUR DOG SHOULD DIE

Views of a Countryman on Subject That Is Interesting to Countrymen.

BY J. M. BELL.

The writer has just received a pair of beautiful beagles from a relative in Pennsylvania, a State famous for its fine rabbit hounds.

The arrival of these promising, well-bred pups, the reddening of the foliage, the cool mornings and evenings, have all had a tendency to conjure up pictures of the hunting season now on in the Virginia. Deer, rabbits, squirrels, possums and coons now, turkey and quail next month.

Some time ago the writer read that there were 8,000 dogs in a certain county in this State. The announcement also stated that the depredations in the sheepfolds of this particular county were disastrous in the extreme. From what the writer could gain from the article above mentioned it would not be out of place to surmise that at least 5,000 of these dogs were worse than useless, in fact were a veritable nuisance.

A well-bred, well-fed, member of the canine species is generally of great use to a farmer, serving as a guard at all times, and greatly assisting in the replenishing of the larder during the legitimate hunting season.

Should Dogs Be Taxed?

It seems only natural that a man owning a dog of money value should be satisfied to pay a moderate tax for the pleasure and profit of owning this useful canine friend, and it does not look reasonable that there should be any kick on the owner's part when he is asked to pay the small stipend to his county or State.

There is no doubt of the fact that, owing to the topography of the Old Dominion, there is, and will be for years to come, a fairly plentiful supply of game, and game of such a nature that the services of a good dog will be requisite in the securing of the same. The Virginia farmers, on the whole, are lovers of sport, and when the season is in they are ardent in the pursuit of the variety of game that our woods and fields afford. The man that keeps a good dog and takes care of it as it should be cared for, will have a useful servant and a firm friend, for no animal responds more readily to liberal rationing and kind treatment than the dog.

The Cur Dog Is Good.

It is the half-starved cur who generally does the damage, where sheep are destroyed, and the fault is not near so much that of the dog as it is that of the owner, who, in keeping such poor specimens of the canine race, evinces an entire lack of sporting instincts, and also a thorough disregard for his neighbor's property.

Liberal Rations.

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### Sunday Services in City Churches

Values otherwise noted in this column, and subject to the usual notice of local churches.

The First Presbyterian Church has just completed the erection of a new organ at a cost of \$8,000, all of which was subscribed before the organ was ordered. The congregation which has been worshipping in the lecture-room for the past three months will resume the services in the main auditorium to-day when the new organ will be heard for the first time.

The Synod of Virginia will meet with this church on Tuesday, October 15, and the centennial of the church will be held on the following Sunday, when the Rev. R. F. Kerr, D. D., of Baltimore, and the Rev. W. B. Bryan, of Chicago, will preach. An informal reception will be held in the church on Monday, October 21.

A men's rally meeting will be held this morning at 11 o'clock in Monument Methodist Church, Rev. L. T. Williams, the pastor, will make a short address, and will be followed by a number of prominent laymen. At 8 o'clock to-night the pastor will conduct the usual evening service.

Rev. W. J. Young will preach this morning in Centenary Methodist Church on "Fifteen Minutes With God." To-night his subject will be "Which Is a Crime: to Be Rich or to Be Poor?"

"Cheap Religion Repudiated" will be the subject of Rev. Lloyd T. Williams' sermon to-night at Grace Street Baptist Church. This morning at 11 o'clock he will preach on "The Supreme Need of Christianity."

Rev. H. D. C. Macschler will preach at both morning and evening services in the Seventh Street Christian Church to-day. His subject to-night will be "The Continental Resurrection."

The Sunday school of the Baldrige Street Baptist Church will hold a memorial service at 10 o'clock this morning in memory of R. C. Broadbent, who was until his death an active member of that church.

Rev. Alexander T. Bowser, pastor of the First Unitarian Church, will preach this morning at 11 o'clock on "Sin and Its Curse."

There will be no service at the Central Methodist Church to-night, the congregation joining in the farewell to Rev. J. J. Fix at the First Presbyterian Church. Rev. Henry C. Pfeiffer will preach this morning.

Rev. L. E. Greenleaf, pastor of the Fairmount Christian Church, will take as the subject for his morning sermon to-day, "Positive and Negative." To-night he will preach on "The Only Son of a Widow."

A Monumental Episcopal Church will hold its afternoon service to-day at 4 o'clock, instead of 5 as has formerly been the case.

J. A. Gaverthrop, who has conducted the Y. M. C. A. meetings for young men on several occasions recently, will speak this afternoon at 8:30 o'clock on "Life's Trial Balance." The Y. M. C. A. will hold a special meeting at 7:30 o'clock.

J. F. Rutherford, of New York, will deliver a lecture at the Little Theatre

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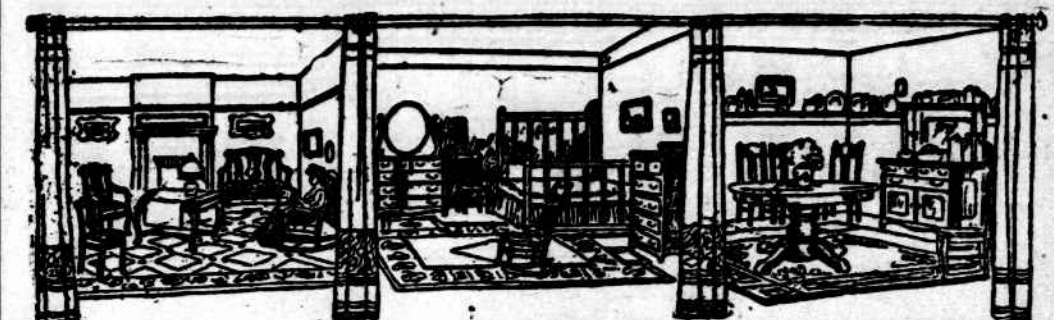
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**The Rocky Mount Tobacco Market.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Rocky Mount, N. C., October 12.—Receipts of leaf tobacco have been lighter this week than in previous weeks, but a considerable sales getting started before the dinner hour each day, save one, and the total amounting to not quite half a million pounds. The offerings have shown some improvement over last week, more trappers and stalk tobacco appearing than for some time. Prices continue high and the market closed Friday very strong and active.

**Wm. Matthews Delinquent.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Winchester, Va., October 12.—Preliminary arrangements are being made by the congregation of Christ Protestant Episcopal Church for the entertainment of delegates from all sections of the Diocese of Virginia, which embraces that part of the State north of the James River, who will attend the annual convention of the Women's Auxiliary of the diocese, which will be held in that church, beginning on November 7 and continuing several days.

**ARRESTED AS SUSPECT.**  
Now charged with being implicated in the robbery.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Bristol, Va., October 12.—Dave Campbell, aged about thirty years, arrested here this morning after being chased by detectives of the Southern Railway for five days, was taken to Jonesboro, Tenn., to answer to the charge of having been implicated in the robbery of the Southern Railway mail train last Monday night, when the \$20,000 mail was taken.

Campbell was to-day identified by R. A. Lovegrove, a Jonesboro merchant, as the man who a few hours before the robbery bought a cake of a certain brand of soap from him. Part of a cake of the same brand was found on the scene of the robbery, while the front of the safe had been smeared with it. Campbell's home is at Johnson City, Tenn. He had purchased a railroad ticket to Norton before being nabbed by the detectives.

The detectives are searching for two other men, who are said to have been with Campbell in Jonesboro.

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